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Title: System and Method for
Determining Methods and
Properties to be Invoked on
Objects in a Graphical
Program

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of September 16, 2002, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the current abstract and replace with the following:

A method for developing an automation client program in a graphical programming environment. The graphical programming environment provides a set of automation nodes and controls which may be dropped and wired together to create a

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